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FM AMEMBASSY TUNIS
TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 1798
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INFO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS IMMEDIATE
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E.O.: 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (ATHERTON, A.L.) MO, AG, TS
SUBJ: ATHERTON VISIT TO TUNIS

REF : STATE 44528, TUNIS 1283 (NOTAL)

1. FROM INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE WE DO NOT BELIEVE
ATHERTON CAN MAKE CONNECTION WITH AF 2701 DEPARTING PARIS
ONLY 0900 THU 26 FEB, ARRIVING TUNIS 1115 LOCAL. TWA FLIGHT
890 FROM DULLES AND TWA 800 FROM NEW YORK BOTH ARRIVE
CHARLES DE GAULLE 0825, AND THERE WOULD NOT BE SUFFICIENT
TIME TO CATCH AF 2701 FROM ONLY, EVEN UNDER BEST OF CONDITIONS.
IF OUR INFORMATION NOT RPT NOT CORRECT, PLEASE INFORM NIACT
IMMEDIATE, MAKE RESERVATIONS THROUGH TO TUNIS FROM WASHINGTON,
AND WE WILL MEET AF 2701.

2. WE ARE PROCEEDING ON ASSUMPTION OUR INFORMATION IS CORRECT
AND WE HAVE CONFIRMED FIRST-CLASS SEAT FOR ATHERTON ON TU 723,
DEPARTING PARIS ONLY 1605 THU 26 FEB, ARRIVING TUNIS 1815 LOCAL.
DEPT SHOULD BOOK WASHINGTON/PARISE SEGMENT AS DESIRED.

3. SYRIAN-IRAQ AIRLINES FLIGHT RB 355, DEPARTING TUNIS
1455 SAT 28 FEB ALSO FULLY BOOKED, BUT WE HAVE SECURED
SEAT ON AH 4431 DEPARTING TUNIS 1120 SAT 28 FEB AND ARRIVING
ALGIERS 1130 ALGIERS LOCAL TIME. ADVISE IF THIS SATISFACTORY.

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